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TO: All Holders of the Field Office Technical Guide

## **VERMONT TECHNICAL GUIDE NOTICE NO. 18**

**PURPOSE:** Distribute Instructions for Updating the FOTG Numbered References for

**Conservation Planning Application** 

**EXPIRATION DATE:** Upon Receipt

## **BACKGROUND:**

These references are being added or replaced to provide more tools to the field offices help producers transition to organic farming.

## FILING INSTRUCTIONS:

Please file the appropriate documents with the Conservation Planning Number Technical References as follows:

CPA #1 Replace "Cornell Recommends for Field Crops 2001" with "2003 Cornell Guide for Integrated Field Crop Management". A hard copy of this Guide has already been sent to the field offices.

CPA #12 Replace "Cornell Field Crop Handbook, 1987" with "2003 Certification Guidelines for Vermont Organic Certification". A hard copy of this Guide has already been sent to the field offices.

CPA #14 Add "Guidelines for Dairy Farms Making the Transition to Certified Organic Milk Production". Hard copy is attached.

If you have any conservation planning activities questions regarding these references please contact Kevin Kaija, Conservation Agronomist in the White River Junction Field Office.

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